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Re: Docket No. 98N-1265

To the FDA,

I send this letter as a consumer of healthcare services to register my concern and disapproval of the Memorandum of Understanding as published by the FDA on January 21, 1999.

In its present form, the MOU, as well as the Compounding Section 503A of the Modernization Act, severely restricts the rights of physicians and patients to obtain healthcare products from the provider of their choice. It also infringes on the rights of compounding pharmacists to serve the public's medical needs. As a healthcare consumer, there should be no restrictions to the delivery of a compounced medication prescribed for me by my doctor, regardless of where I may live or may travel. The MOU should be amended.

The job of the FDA is to ensure consumer safety. THIS IS NOT A SAFETY ISSUE. As a governmental agency, the FDA has a responsibility to be accountable to the people. Once again, the MOU must be amended.

I use and depend on medications from a compounding pharmacy. Please make sure I can continue to rely on this excellent and necessary service.

Sincerely yours,

Suzanne Goodelman New York State

cc Senator Daniel P. Moynihan Senator Charles E. Schumer Congressman Jerrold Nadler Congressman Charles Rangel Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney Congresswoman Nydia Velazquez

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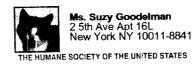
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